

## 2012 GJCL GREEK DERIVATIVES EXAM

Fill in the first four blocks of the Scantron sheet with your own 4-digit code and then the next four blocks with the 4-digit code for this exam (1015). Fill in completely the space on the answer sheet corresponding to the answer for each question; please do not write on the exam itself.

### I. Give the letter of the meaning nearest to that of the Greek element underlined.

1. IDIOMATIC a) write b) stamp c) private d) turn
2. MELANCHOLY a) black b) stain c) sad d) large
3. HORMONAL a) excite b) grow c) emotion d) disease
4. CANONICAL a) throw b) stamp c) standard d) ball
5. SCHOLASTIC a) leisure b) study c) school d) subject
6. ISOMETRIC a) small b) equal c) measure d) share
7. DIAMETER a) measure b) long c) half d) through
8. CRYPTOGRAM a) code b) write c) hidden d) naked
9. STEREOTYPE a) double b) solid c) loud d) listen
10. HYGROMETER a) liquid b) energy c) deep d) salt
11. AUTODIDACT a) done b) heard c) taught d) intelligent
12. XYLOPHONE a) dry b) wood c) tone d) scale
13. AGONY a) contest b) pain c) angle d) action
14. AMETHYST a) way b) purple c) drunk d) study
15. POLITY a) group b) many c) city d) majority

### II. Choose the best answer based on the root meaning of the word in bold.

16. Antipathy describes a \_\_\_\_\_ something.  
a. lack of interest in b. hatred of c. diversion from d. longing for
17. An oligarchy would be ruled by  
a. the poor b. the rich c. a royal family d. a small group
18. Boccaccio's *Decameron* gets its title from the fact that it  
a. contains 100 tales b. is divided into parts c. takes place in winter d. takes place over 10 days
19. Cephalometry measures  
a. intelligence b. the head c. growth d. mass
20. Iatrochemistry was a science that applied the laws of chemistry to  
a. medicine b. logic c. photography d. evolution
21. Entomology derives its name from the fact that its objects of study have  
a. letters b. segments c. legs d. internal organs
22. Chlorophyll gets its name from its  
a. scent b. function c. color d. taste
23. Gerontology deals with the health of  
a. old people b. the terminally ill c. pregnant women d. new-borns
24. A platypus gets its name from its  
a. large bill b. tail c. broad feet d. snout
25. The planets are distinguished from most stars because they seem to \_\_\_\_\_ in the sky.  
a. flicker b. wander c. grow d. hide

### III. Based on your knowledge of Greek derivatives, choose the best meaning for each name.

26. You might expect Xenophon to  
a. make jokes b. write books c. study philosophy d. visit foreign places
27. Judging from his name, which of the following should be rich?  
a. Aristarchos b. Plutarchos c. Dionysos d. Perikles

28. Polemarchos should excel at  
 a. politics      b. farming      c. war      d. philosophy
29. Cleopatra's name suggests she had a  
 a. famous father   b. rich father      c. powerful reign   d. beautiful country
30. Telemachos got his name because his father fought  
 a. frequently      b. bravely      c. far away      d. at sea

IV. Choose the letter of the derivative that best suits the given definition.

31. bad handwriting or spelling  
 a. cacique      b. cacophany      c. cacomistle      d. cacography
32. a philosophy that considers all matter to be alive  
 a. hylozoism      b. hylomorphism   c. hydrology      d. historicism
33. an abnormally high heart rate  
 a. tachyphylaxis   b. tachycardia      c. tachygraphy      d. tachyon
34. brevity or concision of expression or speech  
 a. hyperbaton      b. hendiadys      c. brachylogy      d. enallage
35. a branch of medical and cosmetic study of the hair and scalp  
 a. eugenics      b. trichology      c. phrenology      d. histology
36. a mineral containing copper  
 a. chalcopyrite      b. chalk      c. erythrocyte      d. quartz
37. abnormality or impediment of movement  
 a. dyslalia      b. dystopia      c. dyskinesia      d. dyslexia
38. a theory taken as given or self-evidently true  
 a. criterion      b. axiom      c. apothegm      d. dogmatism
39. a reduction in the number of white blood cells  
 a. leucopenia      b. leucocytosis      c. leukosis      d. leukoderma
40. praising  
 a. encaustic      b. encyclical      c. encomiastic      d. episcopic

V. Choose the best meaning of the Greek root.

41. hebdo-  
 a. body      b. different      c. seventh      d. sixth
42. gastro-  
 a. stomach      b. organ      c. eat      d. slow
43. hema-  
 a. half      b. blood      c. red      d. side
44. hypo-  
 a. above      b. extra      c. below      d. small
45. -lith-  
 a. write      b. long      c. carve      d. stone
46. sarc-  
 a. eat      b. laugh      c. limestone      d. flesh
47. xero-  
 a. copy      b. dry      c. nothing      d. multiple
48. -trop-  
 a. place      b. name      c. map      d. turn
49. malaco-  
 a. bad      b. dark      c. soft      d. male
50. adeno-  
 a. gland      b. throat      c. dyed      d. swell

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